

Livestock Futures – Close 12/21/17						Market Prices on Iowa/Minnesota Direct Hogs – Delivered to the Plant (Price/cwt)															
Lean Hogs		Feeder Cattle		Live Cattle			Friday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday										
Feb	68.57	Jan	142.92	Dec	119.62	49-51 % Lean Carcass	53.50-57.00	50.00-57.00	53.00-56.50	51.50-56.25	50.00-56.00										
Apr	73.07	Mar	140.40	Feb	119.67	Live Sows (450-500 lbs)	38.50-46.00	30.00-46.50	31.00-46.50	31.00-43.00	30.75-44.00										
May	78.30	Apr	141.10	Apr	120.57	Sows (500 lbs & Up)	37.93-48.00	40.48-47.50	40.13-48.00	32.55-45.00	31.84-46.00										
Slaughter & Replacement Class Goats at NC Weekly Livestock Auctions Avg Price/head Muscle Designation Estimated Weight Kids Selection 1-2 20-80 lbs 30.00-150.00 Yearlings Selection 1-2 60-100 lbs 80.00-285.00 Does Selection 1-2 50-100 lbs 60.00-135.00 Selection 1-2 100-140 lbs 138.00-198.00 Bucks Selection 1-2 70-100 lbs 60.00-128.00 Selection 1-2 100-150 lbs 100.00-187.00 Selection 1-2 150-250 lbs 204.00-330.00							Estimated Hog Slaughter Under Federal Inspection This Week Last Year Fri 452,000 427,000 Mon 467,000 435,000 Tue 468,000 447,000 Wed 467,000 449,000 Thu 466,000 411,000			North Carolina Production Cost Report (Weekly) Production cost items statewide: cash prices bag, FOB distributor, per ton unless otherwise stated. Fertilizer in granular form unless noted. Product Offer Avg Price 18-46-0 515.00-589.00 550.00 18-46-0, Bulk 475.00-549.00 508.00 10-10-10 293.00-515.00 436.20 10-10-10, Bulk 253.00-475.00 385.75 Lime 154.00-235.00 185.75 Lime, Powder 130.00-176.00 152.00 Lime, Spread 30.80-55.00 45.16 Potash 403.00-442.00 418.75 Potash, Bulk 360.00-402.00 378.00 Calcium Nitrate 417.00-530.00 477.33 Urea, Bulk 380.00-385.00 382.33 Ammonia Sulfate 350.00-425.00 374.00 Ammonia Sulfate, Bulk 300.00-385.00 333.20 Liquid Nitrogen, 30%-32% 185.00-270.00 241.80 Calcium Sulfate, Spread 37.00-58.50 47.83 Farm Diesel Fuel Per Gallon <1000 Gallons 2.16-2.30 2.21											
													Weekly National Direct Sows Week ending Dec 16, 2017 Receipts: 32,991 Weight Range Avg Wt Avg Price 300-399 lbs 373 39.05 400-449 lbs 426 38.68 450-499 lbs 475 40.95 500-549 lbs 524 43.91 550 lbs & Up 587 44.69								
							Five Area Weekly Weighted Averages for Direct Cattle – Negotiated Feedlots in TX-OK, KS, CO, NE, IA-MN, Beef Breeds Week ending 12/17/2017 Live Basis Sales Head %Choice Avg Weight Avg Price/cwt Steers 2,255 35-65 1,319 119.38 Heifers 2,153 35-65 1,150 119.70 Dressed Basis Sales (Paid on hot weights) Steers 281 35-65 920 190.00 Heifers ----- 35-65 ----- ----- Total Weighted 93,870						National Direct Feeder Pig Summary Week Ending 12/15/17 Receipts: 62,782 Prices are weighted average per head basis. Formula Cash 10 Lbs 46.81 63.23 40 Lbs ----- 73.37 Pigs sold direct to farm. Delivered pigs include freight and commission. Estimated 50-54% lean value at base slaughter weights. 10 pounders, 19 days or under.								
																Oklahoma National Stockyards – Weekly Summary 12/18/2017 Compared to last week: Feeder steers and heifers traded unevenly steady. Lightweight steer calves mostly steady to 1.00 lower, 500-600 lbs. 1.00-3.00 higher with all heifer calves bringing steady to 3.00 lower. Demand moderate, good for heavier weaned steer calves. Quality plain to average with a few attractive. M&L 1 Feeder Steers: 304 lbs 208.00; 426 lbs 188.71; 486 lbs 183.70; 521 lbs 176.29; 575 lbs 172.83. M&L 1 Feeder Heifers: 356 lbs 171.50; 434 lbs 156.43; 467 lbs 151.72; 525 lbs 145.96; 570 lbs 141.47.					
							Southeast Weekly Hay Report Bermuda Grass – Quoted by ton FOB Producer Barn Premium Good Fair Round 1500 lbs 133.33 Round 1000 lbs 100.00-130.00 75.00-80.00 Square 55 lb 180.00-300.00														
							National Direct Sow Report – 12/21/17 – Price/cwt Total sows purchased (Live and Carcass Basis) 6,728 Live Wt Range Head Count Avg Wt Price Range Wtd Avg 300-399 lbs 737 371 28.24-42.50 37.24 400-449 lbs 1,035 426 29.25-43.50 36.50 450-499 lbs 1,047 472 30.75-46.50 38.88 500-549 lbs 1,816 522 31.84-47.50 41.29 550/Up lbs 680 588 33.26-47.92 43.65							<p>The Weekly Newsletter will not be released Friday, December 29, 2017.</p> <p>Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Market News Staff!!!</p> <p>Karrie, Stephen, Chan, Ed, Luke, Randy, Buddy, Wayne, and Robert. If you have not renewed your subscription for 2018, please do so as soon as possible so you do not miss any issues.</p>							